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The listed documents were cited in a Search Report in a corresponding European application. A copy of the Search Report, which is dated September 24, 2004, is enclosed.

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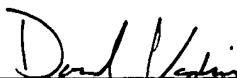
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